

Public Workshop to Discuss Implementation

Low Carbon Fuel Standard

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# CARBON CAPTURE AND SEQUESTRATION PROTOCOL

DETAILS ON CCS APPLICATIONS

THROUGH FUEL PATHWAYS AND THROUGH PROJECT-BASED CREDITING

# Carbon Capture and Sequestration Eligibility & Crediting



#### Examples of how the CCS Protocol can be used:

- Low carbon fuel pathway (e.g., ethanol or biogas)
- Refinery investment (e.g., steam methane reforming)
- Innovative crude (e.g., co-gen at oilfield)
- Direct air capture

#### General requirements for Crediting

- Credits go to the capture facility
- Storage facility must be a co-applicant
  - Capture and storage facilities do not need to be co-located
- All CCS projects must receive Permanence Certification before LCFS credit generation is possible

See §95490 and the CCS Protocol for complete application requirements



### Carbon Intensity Calculation and Credit Generation for CCS

- Calculate GHG reductions in metric ton/year as described in the Accounting Requirements
  - Life cycle-based approach
  - Serve as credits awarded under project-based crediting provisions (Refinery Investment Credit Program, Direct Air Capture, etc.)
- For fuel pathways involving CCS, CI is calculated as follows:
  - Divide the GHG reductions in MT (above) by MJ of fuel produced in a given year to obtain a CI in gCO₂e/MJ
  - Subtract this CI from the fuel pathway CI without CCS to obtain the net
     CI for the fuel pathway including CCS



## Fuel Pathways with Carbon Capture and Sequestration

#### **Application Process:**

- Apply for fuel pathway through the AFP in parallel with CCS permanence certification application
- Fuel pathway with CCS may be approved prior to Permanence Certification, but credits cannot be generated under that pathway until Permanence Certification is issued

#### **Crediting Method:**

- Fuel Pathway with reduced CI
  - Must maintain minimum level of injection to maintain CI
  - Must maintain compliance with the Permanence Protocol
- Must have an approved fuel pathway without CCS for situations when capture is not operational (and before permanence certification is issued)



## Refinery Investment Projects with Carbon Capture and Sequestration

#### **Application Process:**

- Register as a project operator in LRT-CBTS and submit application
- May submit application for review in parallel with Permanence Certification application
- Credits will not be issued prior to issuance of Permanence Certification

#### **Crediting Method:**

 Credits to be issued after injection and after verification of reported values from both the capture facility and sequestration facility operator(s)



## Innovative Crude Projects with Carbon Capture and Sequestration

#### **Application Process:**

- Register as a project operator in LRT-CBTS and submit application
- May submit application for review in parallel with Permanence Certification application
- Credits will not be issued prior to issuance of Permanence Certification
- Reduction in CI to be determined based on difference between oil production with and without CCS

#### **Crediting Method:**

 Credits to be issued after verification of reported values from both the capture facility and sequestration facility operator(s)



## Direct Air Capture Projects

#### **Application Process:**

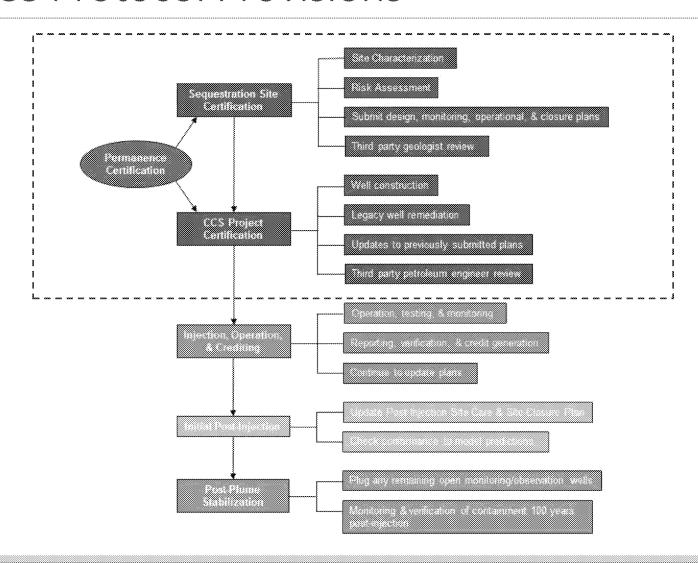
- Register as a project operator in LRT-CBTS and submit Permanence Certification application
- Direct Air Capture projects are not innovative crude projects
  - Direct air capture credits generated regardless of sequestration type

#### **Crediting Method:**

 Credits to be issued after injection, and after verification of reported values from the capture facility and sequestration facility operator(s)

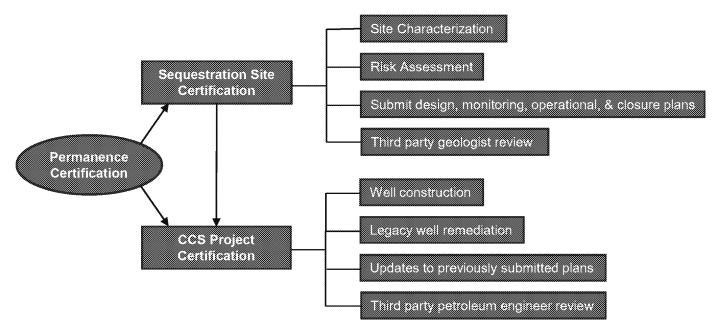


#### **CCS Protocol Provisions**





#### Permanence Certification: Overview

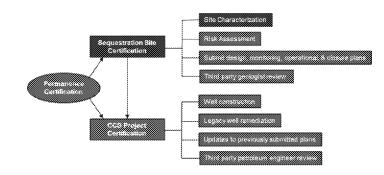


- Apply for permanence certification
- Permanence certification consists of two applications:
  - Sequestration Site Certification Application
  - CCS Project Certification Application



### Sequestration Site Certification: Site Characterization

- Geologic Evaluation
  - Formation Testing
  - Well Logging
- Characterize confining layers
- Identify faults and determine whether they are transmissive
- Delineate Storage Complex and provide Computational Modeling Results
  - Must show 90% chance of more than 99% containment over project life (including post-injection site care period)
- Submit Corrective Action Plan
- Submit Baseline Testing and Monitoring Plan
- Identify whether need for dissipation interval



### Sequestration Site Certification: Site-Based Risk Assessment



#### Requirements

- Characterize potential risks of adverse impacts to:
  - Environment
  - Health & Safety
- Minimum Evaluation:
  - Leakage risk
  - Risk scenarios in the Emergency and Remedial Response Plan
- Risk Management Plan:
  - Identify risks and how risks are ranked
  - Steps to manage, monitor, avoid, and minimize risk

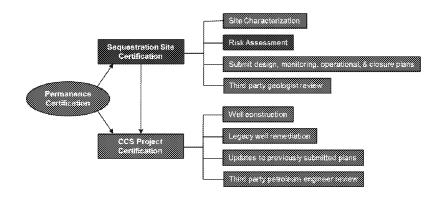


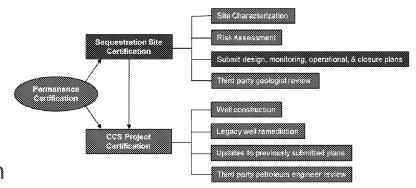
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## Sequestration Site Certification: Summary of Required Information & Plans

- Site Evaluation
- Risk Assessment
  - Risk Management Plan
- Corrective Action Plan
- Baseline Testing and Monitoring Plan
- Well Construction Plan
- Testing and Monitoring Plan
- Well Plugging and Abandonment Plan
- Post-Injection Site Care and Site Closure Plan
- Emergency and Remedial Response Plan
- Financial Responsibility Demonstration
  - Initial Buffer contribution calculation
- Legal Understanding Demonstration





### Sequestration Site Certification: Third Party Geologist Review

- Application for Sequestration Site Certification must be reviewed and certified by a professional geologist (PG) prior to submittal to CARB
- Professional Geologist credentials and history of work with applicant must be submitted to and approved by CARB prior to review
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  Updates to previously submitted plans

  Third party petroleum engineer review

- PG should include a report in their review commenting on each section of the application and their findings related to whether the section meets the requirements of the CCS Protocol and why
- PG must visit site and confirm that the site description is accurate geographically and geologically
- PG must certify that application materials are accurate and follow best geologic practices



## CCS Project Certification: Well Construction

- Formation Testing and Well Logging Report
- Updated Storage Complex
   Delineation and Computational
   Modeling Results
- Sequestration site
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  Well construction

  Legacy well remediation

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  Updates to previous systematic plans

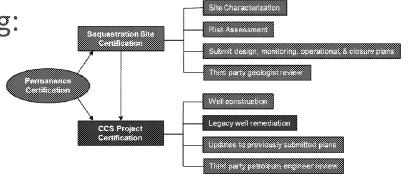
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- Baseline Testing and Monitoring Report
- Well Construction and Pre-injection Testing Report



## CCS Project Certification: Legacy Well Remediation

#### Corrective Action Report describing:

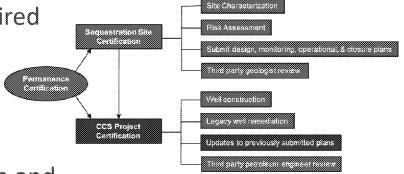
- Methods used to identify wells that required corrective action
- Corrective actions taken on deficient wells that:
  - Penetrate the storage complex
  - Are within the surface projection of the storage complex
- Any historical records search must include a description of the completeness of state or federal databases





## CCS Project Certification: Plan Updates & Required Reports

- Updates to information or plans required by Sequestration Site Certification application
- Formation Testing and Well Logging Report
- Updated Storage Complex Delineation and Computational Modeling results
- Corrective Action Report
- Baseline Testing and Monitoring Report
- Well Construction and Pre-Injection Testing Report

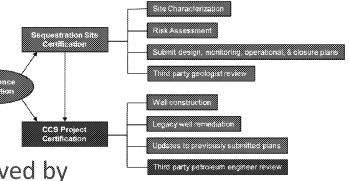




## CCS Project Certification: Third Party Petroleum Engineer Review

 Application for CCS Project Certification must be reviewed and certified by a professional petroleum engineer (PE) prior to submittal to CARB

PE credentials and history of work with applicant must be submitted to and approved by CARB prior to review



- PE should include a report in their review commenting on each section of the application and their findings related to whether the section meets the requirements of the CCS protocol and why
- PE must visit site and confirm that the wells were drilled, cemented and logged accurately and properly, and confirm metering and type of equipment on site
- PE must certify that application materials are accurate and follow best petroleum engineering practices



## **CCS Application Review Timelines**

- Timelines consider ideal situation where applicant is very responsive and little back-and-forth is needed
- Longer response from applicant or incomplete information in submittal may increase timelines
- Timelines for applicants who already have functional projects may be reduced as sequestration site and CCS project certification applications can be combined and reviewed simultaneously
- For applications submitted in Q1, crediting may be possible by end of Q3 2019